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In re application of: Yuchiro Sako et al.  
Serial No. : 09/913,946  
Filed : August 20, 2001  
For : ELECTRONIC MONEY, ELECTRONIC USE RIGHT, CHARGING SYSTEM,  
INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND REPRODUCING METHOD  
AND REPRODUCTION CONTROL METHOD OF CONTENTS DATA  
Group A.U. : 2162  
Date : March 15, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

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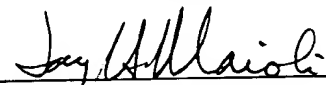
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified  
application, Applicant respectfully requests that the  
application be amended as follows.